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In England, accession of Stephen of  
Blois; succession claimed by Empress  
Matilda; eighteen years of civil war  
and feudal anarchy

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1912 Dates J-BK

France

Letters of franchise were  
granted to cities and towns  
by Louis VI

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Death of Henry I plunges England into civil war. Henry I's only legitimate male heir, Prince William, was drowned in the English Channel in 1120. His daughter, MATILDA, was left as the sole direct representative of the line of Norman Kings, & on several occasions Henry's barons (including his nephew Stephen) swore on oath to support her when he died. On his death (1135), they broke their oath and supported Stephen, who arrived from Normandy to lay claim to the throne. Stephen's reign

was lost by baronial warriors and feudal lords &  
some of the towns drifted back to Matilda. Stephen was  
defeated by Matilda (who was backed by her half-  
brother, the king of Sicily) and imprisoned in 1141.  
Matilda returned with Stephen, released in exchange  
for the captured prisoners, and the throne in  
1142. Her mother was imprisoned in 1144 by Geoffrey  
of Anjou (Matilda's husband). In 1148 the throne  
returned except Stephen's son & sister so they  
to the throne when Louis died in 1159 Stephen  
friendly yielded to the Treaty of Winchester recognizing  
as his heir Geoffrey & Matilda's son, Henry of Anjou  
who in 1154 became Henry II of England and left  
Anglo-Norman king. Normandy & England were thus united.

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England  
Death of Henry I, Beauclerc.

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stephen of BOIS was king  
England

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born 1105 died 1154

STEPHEN - Third son of STEPHEN, Count of Blois  
Norman king

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Spain & Israel

death of Moses ibn Ezra



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Moses Maimonides,  
the Jewish philosopher

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STEPHEN

Norman King  
b 1105 d 1154

King of England 1135-1154

Third son of Stephen, Count of Blois